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COTTON GINNINGS – 2015 CROP

NEW MEXICO

New Mexico gins processed 33,050 running bales (33,800 480-pound bales) of **all cotton** from the 2015 crop, compared with 44,100 running bales (45,050 480-pound bales) from the 2014 crop, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Of the 33,050 running bales ginned, 18,800 running bales (19,200 480-pound bales) were **upland** cotton, and 14,250 running bales (14,600 480-pound bales) were **Pima** cotton.

UNITED STATES

United States running bales of **all cotton** ginned from harvest in 2015 totaled 12.53 million running bales (12.87 million 480-pound bales), compared with 15.88 million running bales (16.29 million 480-pound bales) from the same period in 2014. Of that, 12.11 million running bales (12.43 million 480-pound bales) were **upland** cotton and 416,200 running bales (432,550 480-pound bales) were **Pima** cotton.

There were 560 active cotton gins during the 2015 season, down from the 601 gins that operated in 2014. Forty-two percent of the gins processed more than 20,000 running bales compared with 53 percent the previous season.

For a full copy of the *Cotton Ginnings 2015 Summary* report please visit www.nass.usda.gov.